

# National Parks Scavenger Hunt

## *Physical Feature Edition*

***Please use printed, online resources or your own experiences to Name Park & State using the clues below...happy trails!***

Thousands of Hoodoos dominate the landscape of this park...Hoodoo = red rock spires/pillars

Considered to be about 360 million years old...the river in this park is considered one of the OLDEST rivers on the planet...many geologists believe it is the 2nd oldest! (FYI: the Nile in Africa is considered the 7th oldest)

Badlands are found in dry terrains & they are formations created by erosion of sedimentary rock... what 2 National Parks are dominated by these beautiful erosive features?

The Highest Point (tallest) mountain in North America can be found here?  
*(please include name of peak & elevation in answer)*

Badwater Basin is the lowest point in North America @ 282 feet below sea-level...where can one stand in the typically HOT park?

About 7,500 years ago Mt. Mazama blew its top (Volcanic eruption) & the giant hole created by this explosion slowly filled with water and created the deepest lake in the United States. (1,943 feet deep)

This park's dominant feature (canyon) was carved out over the past 70 million(ish) years by the Colorado River?

Water has slowly (slowly = about 12 million years give or take a few million) dissolved the rock in this National Park to form the world's longest cave system.

Considered the “most predictable geographic/geologic feature on earth”... the Old Faithful geyser will erupt every 91 minutes spewing hot water.

95% of the sites within this park are underwater...the main attractions are the viewing shipwrecks and marine life within the Coral Reef that dominates this area of the ocean.

Standing on Cadillac Mountain, within the borders of this park, a visitor can feel the warmth of the 1st sunbeams that hit the United States daily.

Name the ONLY National Park that lies South of the Equator.

Found on the western shore overlooking the Mississippi River...only 91 acres in size...this park is the smallest National Park in the US.

Home to the world’s largest concentration of natural rock “arches”.  
*(there are over 2,000 of these formations)*

This NP is an archipelago within the Gulf of Mexico & is home to the largest barrier reef in North America.

The name of this park is very fitting...there is a deep gorge within this park & there is a section of this gorge that only receives 33 minutes of sunlight each day.

Home to the largest glacier (Emmons) in the contiguous (lower 48) US.

Home to the wettest forest (100+ inches of rain per year) in the United States...officially making it a “Rainforest”. Note: not a tropical rainforest...that would need to be within the tropics region near the equator.  
(please include name of forest with answer)

